Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Thursday 12 Oct 2023 until 23:59 on Friday 13 Oct 2023

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 11 Oct 2023 at 11:49 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High

Headline for Thursday 12 Oct 2023: Mostly dry, bright or sunny intervals, scattered light showers wintry on summits. Strengthening winds.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 12 Oct 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
Low Likelihood

Gales
Medium Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Medium Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Clear night	Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Light rain showers	Cloudy	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
<05%	<05%	10%	10%	20%	30%	20%	10%

Forecast for Thursday 12 Oct 2023

Weather: Mainly dry with clear skies overnight and the odd light coastal shower. Variable cloud and some bright or sunny intervals during the day. Mainly dry, but a few light showers, of sleet on the higher Munro tops.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 70%

Low cloud and visibility: Broken cloud often above summits but perhaps down to 900m at times. Good visibility away from cloud, just slight reductions in any light showers.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	13/16 W	11/14 SW	19/24 SW	23/30 SW	28/38 SW	37/49 SW	42/56 SW	44/60 SW	40/56 SW
900	12/16 W	10/13 SW	17/23 SW	22/29 SW	27/37 SW	35/47 SW	40/54 SW	42/58 SW	38/54 SW
600	7/11 W	7/10 SW	10/16 SW	15/22 SW	20/30 SW	26/38 SW	29/43 SW	29/45 SW	28/44 SW
300	2/12 W	1/8 SW	2/12 SW	5/21 SW	9/29 SW	11/36 SW	13/40 SW	13/42 SW	12/39 SW
Glen	4/9 NW	2/5 W	4/10 SW	9/20 SW	14/27 SW	17/32 SW	15/31 SW	19/39 SW	19/39 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	1/-4	1/-4	1/-5	1/-5	2/-5	2/-6	2/-6	2/-6	2/-5
900	1/-3	1/-3	2/-4	2/-4	3/-4	3/-4	3/-5	3/-5	3/-4
600	4/1	4/1	4/0	4/0	5/0	6/0	5/-1	5/-0	5/-0
300	5/4	5/5	5/4	7/6	8/6	8/6	8/4	8/4	8/5
Glen	8/8	8/7	9/8	10/8	11/8	11/8	10/8	11/7	11/7
Freezing Level*	1000m	1100m	1200m	1200m	1200m	1200m	1300m	1400m	1300m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Nothing extra

Forecast for Friday 13 Oct 2023
Weather: Bright or sunny intervals and occasional showers, these of snow above 800-900m, falling 500-600m in the evening, some of the showers quite heavy.

Maximum wind: West to northwesterly 45mph gusts 60mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 50%

Low cloud and visibility: Occasional cloud at 800-900m with some patches to 600m near showers. Away from cloud visibility often good but falling moderate in showers and briefly poor above the snow falling level.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 6 rising 10 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 2 Celsius falling to zero later.
Freezing level: 1000m falling 800m.

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